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- 1 1. (amended) A microwave communication network that overlays a public
2 switched telephone network comprising:
3 a plurality of microwave transceivers forming a microwave network which over-
4 lays said public switched telephone network, said transceivers being geographically lo-
5 cated so as to provide a wireless interoffice facility (IOF) between two or more central
6 offices, tandem switches or other premises controlled by an incumbent local exchange
7 carrier (ILEC).
- 1 7. (amended) A method of providing wireless bandwidth in a microwave network
2 which overlays a public switched telephone network comprising the steps of:
3 (2) forming a microwave network from a plurality of microwave transceivers,
4 said microwave network overlaying said public switched telephone network;
5 (2) geographically arranging said transceivers so as to provide wireless interof-
6 fice facility (IOF) between two or more central offices, tandem switches or other prem-
7 ises controlled by an incumbent local exchange carrier (ILEC).
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2 telephone network comprising:
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6 offices, tandem switches or other premises controlled by an incumbent local exchange
7 carrier (ILEC) and one or more central offices, tandem switches or other premises con-
8 trolled by a common carrier other than said ILEC.
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2 which overlays a public switched telephone network comprising the steps of:

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8 offices, tandem switches or other premises controlled by a common carrier other than
9 said ILEC.